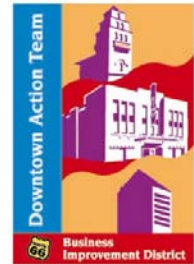




## Mid-Region Council of Governments of New Mexico



# Come take a look what New Mexico gets for Christmas – A new choo choo!

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## Could Santa be thinking of trading Rudolph for the Rail?!?

News that the New Mexico RailRunner Express will soon be carrying commuters through the heart of the Rio Grande valley has gotten the attention of Santa Claus. Now, Santa is planning a pre-Christmas stop to visit with kids and commuters alike down at the old rail yard in Albuquerque's Barelas neighborhood this weekend. The Downtown Action Team and the Mid-Region Council of Governments are inviting the public to get a first hand look at the new passenger rail service that will begin taking travelers from Belen to Bernalillo early next year.

## Santa Visits the RailRunner

Saturday, December 17th

1pm – 3pm

Old Rail yard in Barelas Neighborhood

1100 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW

(On 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between Avenida Caesar Chavez and Coal Ave.

Follow the signs on 2nd)

Members of the public are encouraged to bring their cameras. There will also be a photographer on hand to take pictures with Santa. Kids get a free cut-out of the RailRunner train and other goodies while supplies last!

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